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OF THE

SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OF REGULAR BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

Mining Ridge Church

Wilkes County, N. C.

October 3, 4 and 5, 1941

ELDER D. M. DILLARD, Moderator.... Hays, N. C.

A. C. SIDDEN, Sec. & Treas. .....Joynes, N. C,

The next session will convene with Round Mountain Church, about eight miles North of North Wilkesboro, N. C., beginning on Friday at 11:00 A. M. before the first Sunday in October, 1942. Elder M. C. Dillard to preach the introductory sermon. Elder C. C. Burcham, alternate.

PROCEEDINGS
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Convened with Mining Ridge Church October 3, 1941.

The session was begun by singing a number of selections, then the Moderator called on Bro. C. S. McKnight, correspondent from the Union Association, who read the third chapter of 1st John, then called for the song, "O For A Closer Walk With God." Then called on Elder Guy Cox to lead prayer. Introductory sermon by Elder A. F. Walker. Text Numbers 10:29, "Come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel."

Intermission of thirty minutes.

Delegates reassembled in church.

Song, "Amazing Grace." Hymn No. 188, Primitive Hymns.

Prayer by Bro. Charlie Miles.

1st. Called for Associational letters when 17 were handed in, read and delegates seated.

2nd. On motion we invite newly constituted churches or any regular Baptist church of the same faith and order.

3rd. On motion we elect a moderator by ballot. Elder D. M. Dillard was elected.

4th. On motion Elder A. C. Sidden was elected clerk by acclamation.

5th. On motion we invite correspondents of the same faith and order, when a letter was handed in from the Union Baptist Association, read, received and the following brethren were seated: Elders Charlie Andrews, G. M. Tedder, Brethren H. M. Delp, F. S. Delp, F. M. Joines, Ernest Hoppers, C. S. McKnight, and H. M. Joines.

6th. On motion we invite transients and visitors of the same faith and order. Elder C. C. Burcham, Brethren J. P. Brooks, O. F. Richardson, S. M. Jolly, were seated.

7th. On motion we empower the Moderator to make all temporary appointments, the following committees were appointed:

(a) On Ministry—D. L. Holbrook, G. W. Brown, C. C. McCann.

(b) On Finance—D. H. Brown, A. M. Holbrook, L. W. Wood.

(c) Arrangements—Charlie Miles, J. N. Royal, S. T. Curry, F. A. Norman, Guy Cox. On motion the Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents are invited to sit with this committee.

(d) Obituaries—G. M. Royal, H. H. Jennings, B. F. Norman.

(e) Resolutions—M. F. Barker, E. S. Harrold, H. A. Adams.

(f) Temperance—T. A. Miles, Bert Blevins, T. N. Royal.

(g) Time, Place and Preacher—W. C. Johnson, C. V. Holbrook, J. Q. Walker.

(h) To write a corresponding letter to the Union Association—Charlie Miles.

8th. The Committee on Ministry reported as follows: Tonight Elders Charlie Andrews and H. A. Adams to preach. Tomorrow—First, G. M. Tedder; 2nd, Frank Barker; 3rd, D. O. Cleary.

On motion we adjourn until tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

The Moderator called on Elder Guy Cox who lined the hymn, "Did Christ O'er Sinners Weep." Prayer by Elder M. C. Dillard.

SATURDAY MORNING

Met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday.

Song service conducted by Bro. Charlie Miles.

The Moderator made some opening remarks then called on Elder D. H. Brown, who read 15 verses of the 14th chapter of St. John. Prayer by Elder Brown.

Association called to order by the Moderator.

Called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received.

1st. Clerk called roll and marked absentees.

2nd. Extended an invitation to newly constituted churches or any regular Baptist church of the same faith and order. None came.

3rd. Invited correspondents of the same faith and order, when Elder M. C. Dowell and Bro. J. T. Miles were seated.

4th. Invited transients and visitors of the same faith and order. Elders D. O. Cleary, T. M. Reece, and Bro. Daniel Cleary were seated.

5th. On motion elected the clerk treasurer and that he have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distribute them according to the contribution of the churches and that he have ten dollars, ($10.00), for his services.

6th. Called on Committee on Temperance to report, who reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Temperance, would advise all the churches in our union to use all of their influence against the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage and to do all that is in their power to put down this great evil which is destroying the souls of so many people, and strictly adhere to the teaching of God's word and be temperate in all things as the Bible teaches.

T. A. MILES,
T. N. ROYAL,
BERT BLEVINS, Committee.

Remarks by Charlie Miles, Guy Cox, O. F. Richardson, M. C. Dillard, J. A. J. Royal. Report received.

7th. Called on Committee on Obituaries to report. Eleven were handed in and ordered printed.

8th. Called on Committee on Resolutions to report, who reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Resolutions submit the following: We humbly thank God for his goodness and mercies toward us during the past year, and pray for a continuation of the same. And that our churches adhere to the teaching of God's word by looking after the poor and needy; also in taking care of their pastors, hold up their hands; loose them and let them go, for the Lord hath need of them. If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine receive him not, neither bid him God speed for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. That we extend our heartfelt thanks to the brethren, sisters, and kind friends of this community for their kind hospitality during the sittting of this association.

H. A. ADAMS,
E. S. HARROLD,
M. F. BARKER, Committee.

Report received.

9th. Called on Committee on Ministry to report, who reported for tonight: 1st, M. C. Dillard; 2nd, C. C. Burcham; 3rd, Guy Cox. For tomorrow: 1st, A. C. Sidden; 2nd, A. F. Walker; 3rd, D. M. Dillard.

Report received.

10th. Called on treasurer of last year to report, who reported as follows:

Received of Finance Committee		$51.05
Colletction to supplement		4.61
Balance from last year		8.40
Total money in hands of treasurer		$64.06
Paid for Minutes	$39.00	
Fees allowed clerk	10.00	
Total disbursements	$49.00	
Balance due association		$15.06

Report received.

11th. Called on Finance Committee to report, who reported received from the churches fifty-four dollars and sixty-five cents. ($54.65.)

12th. Called for corresponding letter which was read and received and correspondents appointed as follows: Elders A. F. Walker, A. C. Sidden, D. H. Brown, G. R. Cox, D. M. Dillard, M. C. Dillard, C. C. Burcham, and Bro. S. M. Jolly to attend the Union Association to be held with Pleasant Home Church near Bel-Air, Maryland, to commence on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1942.

13th. Investigated the cause of Garden Creek Church not being represented at this session. A. C. Sidden and Charlie Miles explained that the members had died and become disabled to the extent that meetings could no longer be held. Report received.

14th. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher report that the next session is to be held with Round Mountain Church, to commence on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1942. Elder M. C. Dillard to preach the introductory sermon. Elder C. C. Burcham, alternate.

15th. The Committee appointed to investigate the cause of Mountain Valley Church not representing in the Association last year reported that it was just negligence on the part of the church, they just failed to appoint delegates and send letter. Nothing wrong with the church. Report received.

16th. Called on correspondents to report. Elder A. F. Walker visited the Union Association and reported a wonderful session. Elder G. R. Cox attended on Sunday. G. M. Royal attended throughout the session. S. M. Jolly attended. Charlie Miles was present Friday. Those who failed were excused.

17th. On motion we dispense with the reading of the minutes of this session.

18th. On motion we adjourn at the close of the preaching service. Intermission of thirty minutes.

After the intermission the congregation assembled in the house. Elder G. M. Tedder introduced the service by reading the 14th chapter of St. John and commenting on the same.

Prayer by Elder Charlie Andrews.

First sermon by Elder M. F. Barker. Text, Matt. 28:6: "Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

Second sermon by Elder D. O. Cleary. Text, Acts 16:30: "What must I do to be saved?"

The Association was closed by the Moderator who called for a song and handshake. During the handshake there was an outpouring of the Spirit which caused much rejoicing. Prayer by D. M. Dillard. Thus closed another harmonious session of the Primitive Association. May it always be thus. Benediction by C. S. McKnight.

ELDER D. M. DILLARD, Moderator
ELDER A. C. SIDDEN, Clerk.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Song No. 1 Primitive Selections. No. 150 and 623.

Opening service by Elder Gwyn Bauguess, who read the 9th chapter of Daniel, verses 1 to 23. Song, "Amazing Grace."

Prayer by Elder H. A. Adams. Song, "O, For A Closer Walk With God."

First sermon by Elder A. C. Sidden. Text, Romans 11:36. "For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things; to whom be glory forever."

Second sermon by Elder A. F. Walker. Text, Romans 9:7, "Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but in Isaac shall thy seed be called."

Elder J. M. Owens, who was 84 years old, made some remarks.

Third sermon by Elder D. M. Dillard. Text, Phil. 1:21, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

The large crowd present seemed to enjoy the singing and preaching and at the close there was a handshake accompanied by an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. May God's richest blessings rest on the Primitive Association. Amen.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Antioch—Oscar Jenkins, Sidney Royal, Franklin Royal, T. N. Royal.
Austin—D. H. Brown, G. R. Cox, Bret Hawkins
Bethany—L. W. Wood, E. M. Wiles, C. H. Bryant, M. A. Blackburn, J. T. Wiles.
Center—H. H. Jennings, G. F. Adams, H. E. Harrold, W. L. Myers, Alford Elledge.
Double Creek—A. M. Holbrook, C. V. Holbrook, D. L. Holbrook.
Liberty Knob—G. M. Royal, Charlie Miles, J. N. Royal.
Mining Ridge—Billy Snow, F. C. Wall, B. F. Norman, Marion Royal, Dewey Cheek.
Mountain Valley—E. E. Douglas, J. H. Stamper, C. A. Stamper.
New Covenant—T. A. Miles, M. C. Dillard, Garnis Miles.
Oak Level—James M. Spicer, M. F. Barker, Alton Carter, J. M. Cockerham.
Rachel—S. T. Curry, W. S. Billings, J. G. Billings, Carl Wood.
Roaring River—G. W. Brown, J. H. Holbrook, A. C. Sidden, J. Q. Walker.
Round Hill—J. T. Bauguess, Bert Blevins, A. P. Bauguess, I. W. Pruitt.
Round Mountain—J. C. Felts, W. C. Johnson, H. A. Adams.
Union—W. M. Royal, Arthur Norman, H. W. Cox.
Union Hill—A. F. Walker,C. C. McCann, J. C. Wilmoth, K. H. Wilmoth, J. H. Norman.
Zion—E. S. Harrold, O. H. Dillard, W. C. Huie, B. F. Hays.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Adams, H. A. ..... R. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Barker, J. N. ..... Benham, N. C.
Barker, M. F. ..... R. 1, Roaring River, N. C.
Bauguess, Gwyn ..... Elkin, N. C.
Brown, D. H. ..... Traphill, N. C.
Brown, J. W. ..... Traphill, N. C.
Burcham, C. C. ..... R. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Calloway, J. F. ..... Jonesville, N. C.
Cleary, D. O. ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Cox, G. R. ..... Traphill, N. C.
Dillard, D. M. ..... Hays, N. C.
Dillard, M. C. ..... Hays, N. C.
Douglass, E. E. ..... McGrady, N. C.
Handy, W. R. ..... R. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Harrold, J. C. ..... R. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Owens, J. M. ..... Hays, N. C.
Richardson, C. O. ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Sidden, A. C. ..... Joynes, N. C.
Walker, A. F. ..... State Road, N. C.
Walker, J. W. ..... Dehart, N. C.

OBITUARIES

BAUGUESS

Martha Caroline Holbrook Bauguess, the daughter of John Holbrook, was born Sept. 4, 1862. Died July 7, 1941, making her stay on earth 78 years, 10 months and 3 days. She was married to W. M. Bauguess Dec. 27, 1883. He preceded her in death 3 years, 10 months and 4 days. To this union were born 5 children; 2 living and 3 dead. Those living are Mrs. J. P.Church, of Moxley, N. C., J. T. Bauguess, of Lomax, N. C. She had 15 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She professed a hope in Christ in early life, united with Round Hill Baptist Church and remained a faithful member until death.

A precious one from us is gone; gone to rest with Jesus, where labors and sorrows are ceased; but a place is vacant in our home which never can be filled. But we trust to meet her again in that heavenly land where bright angels sing forever and ever.

GREGORY

Mary Lou Gregory was born March 16, 1868, and died August 24, 1941, being 73 years, 5 months and 8 days old. In January, 1897, she was married to John F. Gregory. She is survived by her husband and the following children: J. L. Gregory, Mrs. R. E. Byrd, Mrs. C. R. Key, Mrs. L. W. Wood, Mrs. Dewey M. Johnson, Mrs. W. M. Handy, Mrs. W. C. Adams, and Paul Gregory. Twenty-four grandchildren also survive

In 1899 she joined Round Mountain Church where she was a member at the time of her death.

Aunt Lou, as she was affectionately called, was a faithful servant of her family, community, and her God. She has now gone to live with Jesus but her good works do follow after her.

HALL

Emma Arlena Shumate Hall was born May 12, 1879. Died Nov. 16, 1940. Age 61 years, 6 months and 4 days. She was married to John S. Hall October 17, 1897. Unto this union were born 6 children, one boy and five girls. The boy preceded her in death. On January 27, 1901, she professed a hope in Christ and joined New Covenant Church, later she moved her membership to Center Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member until death.

Dear mother! ne'er shall we forget
Thy brow, thine eye, thy pleasant smile;
Though in the sea of death hath set
Thy star of life; my guide awhile,
Oh, never shall thy form depart
From the bright pictures in my heart.

HOLBROOK

Vetra Mae Brown Holbrook, born in Wilkes County, Traphill, N. C., March 28, 1890. Departed this life April 12, 1941, making her stay on

earth 51 years and 15 days. She made a profession in early life, joined Roaring River Baptist Church by letter Dec. 22, 1906, where she remained a faithful member until death.

She was married to Alonzo Holbrook March 10, 1909. To this union were born five children. One son preceded her in death several years ago. One brother preceded her in death July 8, 1916.

Surviving are her husband, one son, Roy Holbrook, three daughters, Mrs. Verna Bullis, Mrs. Eunice Jones, and Miss Iris Mae Holbrook, all of Bel-Air, Md. Also seven grandchildren, her father and mother, George Brown and Myrtle Brown, of Wilkes County, Traphill, N. C. Six brothers, John Brown, of Bel-Air, Md., Mack Brown, of Burlington, N. C., Lonnie Brown and Paul Brown, of Winston-Salem, N. C., Claude Brown and Vaughn Brown, of Traphill, N. C., eight sisters, Maude Vannoy, of High Rock, Pa., Bertha Sidden, Floss Martin, Edna Brown and Nora Brown, of Winston-Salem, N. C., Pearl McBride and Ruby McBride, of Joynes, N. C., and Bessie Brown, of Traphill, N. C., and a host of friends to mourn. But we trust our loss is her eternal gain.

As she was on her death bed, she asked her children to trust the Lord, live a Christian life and meet her. She bore her pains with patience, but suffered till death brought a final release. She was laid to rest in a cemetery in Maryland at her own request.

One precious to our heart is gone,
The voice we loved is stilled;
A seat is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

Written by her sister,
BESSIE BROWN.

JOHNSON

Samuel Preston Johnson, son of John and Martha Stamper Johnson, was born Aug. 10, 1872. Died January 22, 1941. Age 68 years, five months and twelve days.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined Roaring River Church at the August meeting, 1909, where he remained a member till death. He was a good neighbor, friendly to all, and liked by all who knew him.

One brother, Lewis Hiram (Tice) and six sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mrs. Caroline Smoot, Mrs. Martha Jane Aldridge, Mrs. Lula Holbrook, Mrs. Kate Yale, and Sally Yale, preceded him in death. Leaving one sister, Belle, to mourn her loss, but we trust her loss is his eternal gain.

May we all prepare to meet him in a land where there is no dying.

PRUITT

Elizabeth Jemima Holbrook, daughter of the late Ralph Holbrook and Nancy Spicer Holbrook, was born September 3, 1857, died July 19, 1941, being 83 years, 10 months, 22 days of age.

She was married to Jacob Madison Pruitt October 5, 1876. To this union was born seven children, four of which died in early age. The

oldest son, C. O. Pruitt, was instantly killed in a train wreck in 1920. The youngest son, J. Talmage Pruitt, of Louisburg, N. C., and Mrs. Texie Miles, of Traphill, N. C., with two sisters, Mrs. Fannie Holbrook, of Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Alice Brown, of Wilkesboro, N. C., with nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren survive. Her unnumbered friends now mourn the passing of "Aunt Bettie" as she had been affectionately called until this seemed as if it were her real name.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist Church at Old Roaring River at the age of 13 years, where she remained a faithful member until death.

This is not death, she is just gone out
And left us sad and lone;
Forevermore she will sing and shout,
And live around the throne.

RICHARDSON

Clara Warren Richardson, daughter of Samuel and Martha Brooks Warren, was born December 18, 1882, and departed this life May 13 1940, making her stay on earth 57 years, 4 months and 25 days. She was married to Oliver F. Richardson February 8, 1922. Unto this union was born one son, Clive, who only lived a few months.

She professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined the church at Garden Creek. After her marriage she moved her membership to Round Hill where she remained a faithful member until death.

She was buried at Round Hill, and at her request, the services were conducted by Rev. G. W. Miles, L. E. Sparks, and Guy W. Brooks and the choir led by Ford Cothren.

Her life has been a worthy and beautiful example that would be well for all to follow.

Asleep in Jesus, peaceful sleep,
Free from all toil and care;
We'll meet her on that golden shore
Heavenly joys to share.

Written by NORA WARREN.

ROYAL

Millie Wagoner Royal, wife of Sidney Royal ,was born in the year 1876, passed away October 16, 1940, making her stay with us about 65 years. She was preceded in death by eight of her 12 children. She leaves her husband and four children to mourn her passing, with many relatives and friends.

She professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined Antioch Church. There she lived a faithful member until death.

She was a good wife, mother, neighbor, friend and Christian, and was loved by all who knew her.

She's gone to meet her reward in heaven and by the grace of God we can meet her there.

Written by H. A. BULLIS,
One of the pastors of Antioch Church.

SEBASTIAN

Rev. A. T. Sebastian was born September 22, 1883. Died February 26, 1941, being 57 years, 5 months and 4 days old.

He professed a hope in Christ August 3, 1906, and joined Haymeadow Church. He was ordained to preach July 5, 1917, by Haymeadow Church where he held his membership for a good many years. Later moved it to Dehart Baptist Church. Later he moved his membership to Zion church where he was a member at death.

He was twice married; first to Miss Florence Walker. To this union were born seven children. The second time to Prudie Adams. To this union were born 4 children.

He was a good husband and father. He was a faithful minister.

WAGONER

Loura Belle Wagoner, whose maiden name was Royal. Born Aug. 28, 1895. Died Nov. 8, 1939. Age 44 years, 2 months and 11 days.

She was married to Isaac Wagoner, Dec. 19, 1919. Unto this union were born 9 children, 2 dead, and 7 living. She professed a hope in Christ and joined Friendship Church in September 1917, then Friendship split up, and she went into the organization of Antioch, then later she joined Union Chapel and remained until death. She was afflicted for about one year, but bore her affliction with much patience.

She leaves father and mother, 1 sister, 3 brothers, her husband and 7 children, and one grand daughter, to mourn her loss, but we hope our loss is her eternal gain.

Companion and mother is gone,
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

WOOD

Alice (Sis) Pruitt Wood, was born Sept. 26, 1886. Died June 2, 1941, age 74 years, 8 months, 7 days.

She was married to John W. Wood in January, 1891. To this union was born four children, of whom all are living, Mrs. Bertha Bumgarner, Mrs. Pearl Lyons, Mrs. Maude Hayes, Mrs. Orabelle Wagoner, and five grandchildren.

She professed a hope in Christ in early girlhood, and joined Liberty Knob Church where she remained until death.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS	No. of Teachers	No. Enrolled	Average Attendance	Months Kept Open
Austin	B. C. Speaks, Traphill, N. C.	Nora Brown, Traphill, N. C.	4	53	30	12
Bethany	C. H. Bryant, Roaring River, N. C.	Mrs. L. W. Wood, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	3	96	52	12
Center	G. F. Adams, North Wilkesboro, N. C.	Rosa Lee Myers, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	4	49	31	12
Double Creek	D. L. Holbrook, Abshers, N. C.	Fannie Bowers, Abshers, N. C.	3	45	28	6
New Covenant	T. A. Miles, Hays, N. C.	Myrtle Adams, Dehart, N. C.	4	61	42	6
Oak Level	Alton Carter, Roaring River, N. C.	Lora Byrd, R. 1, Roaring River, N. C.	3	50	30	12
Rachel	W. S. Billings, Roaring River, N. C.	Marie Blackburn, Roaring River, N. C.	4	74	44	8
Roaring River	L. G. Venable, Joynes, N. C.	Blanche Sidden, Joynes, N. C.	3	64	39	5
Round Hill	Elsie & Pauline Holbrook, Traphill, N. C.	Milna Dowell, Traphill, N. C.	3	75	45	8
Round Mountain	C. C. Burcham, North Wilkesboro, N. C.	Miss Ina Hincher, Hays, N. C.	4	40	35	4
Zion	E. S. Harrold, Hays, N. C.	Ruby Harrold, Hays, N. C.	3	40	35	6

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	Saturday of Ch. Meeting	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Received by Application	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Members	Contributions
Antioch	H. A. Bullis, Lon Billings, W. M. Hamm	Sidney Royal, McGrady, N. C.	....	....	1	14	4	5	....	....	4	....	48	$ 2.15
Austin	D. H. Brown, G. R. Cox	B. C. Speaks, Traphill, N. C.	2	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	66	3.50
Bethany	J. S. Bryant	E. M. Wiles, N. Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 2	4	....	4	4	6	1	....	....	....	1	120	5.25
Center	D. M. Dillard	H. H. Jennings, N. Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1	2	....	1	....	....	....	....	7	1	1	201	4.00
Double Creek	A. C. Sidden, Arthur Gambill	A. M. Holbrook, Abshers, N. C.	....	....	2	1	1	....	....	1	1	....	53	2.00
Garden Creek	Not Represented		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.25
Liberty Knob	A. F. Walker	J. N. Royal, Roaring Gap, N. C.	1	1	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	40	5.00
Mining Ridge	A. F. Walker, Gwyn Bauguess	Foy C. Wall, Elkin, N. C.	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	29	2.55
Mountain Valley	E. E. Douglas	J. H. Stamper, McGrady, N. C.	1	....	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	1	27	2.00
New Covenant	J. S. Bryant, M. C. Dillard	T. A. Miles, Hays, N. C.	2	....	3	8	2	....	....	2	1	....	113	4.15
Oak Level	H. A. Adams, M. F. Barker, D. H. Brown	James M. Spicer, Traphill, N. C.	1	1	3	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	67	2.00
Rachel	M. C. Dillard, L. E. Sparks	S. T. Curry, Roaring River, N. C.	....	....	1	3	....	....	....	3	....	1	144	2.60
Roaring River	A. C. Sidden	G. W. Brown, Traphill, N. C.	1	....	4	5	....	1	....	3	....	3	132	4.55
Round Hill	L. E. Sparks, Carl Cockerham	J. T. Bauguess, Lomax, N. C.	1	1	2	....	2	....	....	....	1	3	130	2.50
Round Mountain	A. C. Sidden	J. C. Felts, Hays, N. C.	3	....	3	3	1	....	....	6	1	2	72	3.10
Union	A. C. Sidden	W. M. Royal, Traphill, N. C.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	37	2.55
Union Hill	A. F. Walker, Gwyn Bauguess	C. C. McCann, Thurmond, N. C.	1	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	49	3.00
Zion	D. C. Miller	E. S. Harrold, Hays, N. C.	....	....	4	16	2	....	....	....	1	1	52	2.50
Totals			20	4	....	55	18	7	2	22	11	15	1380	$54.65

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by the name of Primitive Baptist Association, and shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent in the Association; who on producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to the seats. Each church shall be entitled to five delegates. In their letters is to be expressed the number in full fellowship, baptized, received by letter, by application and good recommendation, dismissed by letter, excluded, and dead since last Association.

2. The number thus chosen and convened shall have no power to Lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe any internal right over any church in her union.

3. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular decorum.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator and Secretary, who shall be chosen annually, by a majority of the votes of the members present, a majority of the churches being represented.

5. New churches of any regular Baptist church of Jesus Christ of our Faith and Order in good standing, either dismissed by letter from Sister Associations, or by application and good recommendation, by sending up letter and delegates shall be admitted into the union.

6. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of its proceedings, the best method for accomplishing this purpose shall be at the discretion of the future Association.

9. We think it necessary to have an Association fund to defray the expenses of the Association, and it is the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper to the Association, and those moneys shall be deposited in the hands of a Treasurer who shall be accountable to the Association for the same, and the Association shall appropriate the money thus contributed to any purpose they may think proper.

10. There shall be an Association book wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a reasonable compensation for his services.

11. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

12. Amendment to this form of Government may be made at any time, by a majority of the Association, when they may deem it expedient by giving the churches twelve months' notice.

13. The Association shall act as advisory council and shall endeavor to preserve a general union of the churches, and also preserve a chain of communion among the churches and give advice in matters of difficulty.

14. The Association shall inquire into the cause if any church fails to represent at any time in the Association.

15. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in her union that shall violate the rules of this Constitution, or deviate from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

16. The Association may correspond with Sister Associations and invite any brother in the ministry in good standing, or that can bring a good recommendation of his standing, who may be of our faith and order to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of its sitting.

17. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place it may think proper.

18. The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar nor test to fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain the same as they may choose.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, until he is done speaking.

4. He shall strictly adhere to his subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who speaks before, by making remarks on his slips, failings or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as clearly as he can, so as to convey his light or idea.

5. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association, without liberty obtained from the body, for his absence.

6. No person shall speak more than three times on one subject, without liberty obtained from the Association.

7. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

8. No member of the Association shall address another by any other appellation than that of Brother.

9. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, nor prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he violates the Rules of Decorum.

10. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Secretary and called over as often as the Association requires.

11. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall

not vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the casting vote.

12. Any member who shall wilfully and knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association, as shall be deemed proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are One.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of Election by Grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

5. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never finally fall away.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances, and we believe the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance of the Gospel, except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.